GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:943
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Shortage of Safety Equipment
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the safety equipment including the bullet-proof jackets provided to our soldiers in armed forces are not of equal strength as given to the soldiers of armed forces in USA, Britain, Germany and other developed countries;

(b) if so, whether the Government has any plan to bring the same standard of other developed countries in defence forces;

(c) whether there is an acute shortage of such safety equipment including bullet-proof jackets in defence forces; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)
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(a)&(b): The safety equipments including bullet-proof jackets are procured based on General Staff Qualitative Requirements (GSQRs). Amendments / Review of GSQRs is a continuous process based on the requirement of the forces.
(c)&(d): The provisioning of such safety equipments for the authorized quantity as per Annual Provisioning Review is an on-going process. Procurement of operationally required equipments is done with due priority.
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